

Paragraph at page 7, line 17 to page 7, line 33:

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The trading agent node provides services to a specific trading floor or group of traders. These services include providing access to the network for each trading work station, completing deals, producing deal tickets and maintaining historical dealing information for traders. Each trading agent node must connect to at least one broker node to access the trading system. A group of trader terminals thus connects to a trading agent 10 to access the system. The trader terminals are used by traders to view the market and to input orders into the system. Trader terminals are one example of order input devices. An order may be input manually by a trader using a keypad or it could be automatic. For example, a trader may program his terminal to submit an order once the market reaches a given state, or the orders may be generated from an institutions' own dealing systems.

Paragraph at page 13, line 35 to page 14, line 3:

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As the deal matching process takes place, it is necessary that the list of quotes maintained at each Broker node be kept up to date. This is accomplished by each Broker node notifying others when it makes a change to a quote, as shown in figure 5.